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Wayne Elsberry



Born: August 20, 1916  
Died: January 26, 2004

Services will be held at: Funeral Services will be held at 2:00 P.M., on Friday, January 30, 2004, at the Central Christian Church. Burial will follow services in the Rose Hill Memorial Gardens in Marshalltown, Iowa.

Visitation times are: A visitation will be from 5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. Thursday, at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. Memorials may be directed to the Central Christian Church.

Wayne Elsberry was born on August 20, 1916 in Amberg, Wisconsin, the son of John F. and Leona E. Bellus. He was united in marriage with Mary Adkins on March 14, 1937 in Marshalltown, Iowa. Wayne was educated in Ferguson, Iowa and Amberg, Wisconsin schools. He farmed with his father and went into trucking, hauling cream and gravel, before his military service. Wayne served his country in the U.S. Army during World

War II, spending time in China, India, Burma during the Chinese Offensive. Wayne worked for Montgomery Ward Farm Sale's for 35 years, retiring in 1978. Wayne enjoyed music and played the guitar, banjo, mandolin and violin. He enjoyed bowling, fishing, dancing and baseball. He was a member of the Central Christian Church and the American Legion. Wayne was a devoted husband and dearly loved his family. Wayne Elsberry is survived by: wife: Mary Elsberry of Marshalltown; son: Mark (Kathy) Elsberry of Marshalltown; son: John Elsberry of Marshalltown; daughter: Jane (Michael) Smith of Marshalltown; nine grandchildren, five great grandchildren, brother: Harold Elsberry of Marshalltown; brother: Lynn "L.J." Elsberry of Marshalltown; brother: Larry (Helen) Elsberry, Mission Viejo, California; brother: Glenn Elsberry of Idaho Falls, Idaho, sister: Ellen (Walter) Morgan of Ft. Dodge, Iowa. He was preceded in death by: his parents, daughter: Sue Ellen Main, grandson: John Main, brothers: John and Vernon Elsberry.